

Ms. Marlene H. Dortc

Secretary

Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW

Washington, DC 20554

Re: Promoting Innovation and Competition in the Provision of Multichannel Video Programming Distribution Services (DN 14-261)

Dear Ms. Dortch:

I am writing on behalf of Cape Ann Television. Cape Ann TV is a cable access television station that represents the communities of Gloucester, Rockport, Manchester-by-the-Sea, and Essex, Massachusetts.

We are very concerned about the impact the proposed rulemaking (DN 14-261) will have on our organization and our ability to provide Public, Educational and Government (PEG) Access services to our community. We strongly support the comments and reply comments of the City of San Antonio and of Anne Arundel County et al. in this proceeding.

We are particularly concerned about the rulemaking's proposal to classify over-the-top (OTT) video services provided by cable franchise holders as something other than a "cable service." Such a designation would allow cable franchise holders to undercut their public interest obligations.

The impact of losing PEG fees in the four communities we represent would be enormous. We would no longer be able to provide important municipal meeting coverage, coverage of town



events, school related programs, and our award-winning original content. The impact would be felt by citizens of all ages.

We ask the Commission not to diminish these vital PEG public interest requirements as it considers this proposed rulemaking.

Respectfully submitted,

Erich Archer
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Cape Ann Television

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